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TENTATIVE AGENDA STATE ADMINISTRATION AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS INTERIM COMMITTEE November 30, 2007 Room 102, State Capitol

All times are tentative

- 8:30 Call meeting to order; roll call: **Rep. Franke Wilmer**, Presiding Officer
- 8:31 Office of the Secretary of State: **Honorable Brad Johnson**, Secretary of State
Secretary of State Johnson will introduce key members of his staff and brief the Committee on activities within the OSOS and on emerging issues.
- 9:00 HJR 46 Study of Election Laws
- Panel 1: School Elections: How and When?
Lynda Brannon, Montana Association of School Business Officials
Bob Vogel, Montana School Boards Association
Duane Winslow, Yellowstone County Elections Administrator

BREAK

- 10:00
- Panel 2: Election Funding and Resource Issues
Rina Moore, Cascade County Clerk and Recorder
Jeanne Souvigny, Montana Conservation Voters Education Fund
Beth Brenneman, Montana Advocacy Program
Lisa Kimmet, Secretary of State's Office
Angus MacIver, Legislative Audit Division
- 11:00 Mail Ballot Elections: **Sue O'Connell**, Research Analyst, Topic Overview
- Panel 3: Mail Ballot Elections
Vickie Zeier, Missoula County Clerk and Recorder
Lisa Kimmet, Secretary of State's Office
Janice Hoppes, Pondera County Clerk and Recorder
Sara Busey, League of Women Voters
Alysha Jannotta, Montana Women Vote
- 12:00 Public comment regarding HJR 46 and Montana election laws
- 12:30 Brief Committee on conference on election law: Sen. Jent & Rep. Ingraham
- 12:45 Committee discussion and direction to staff on HJR 46

LUNCH

The meeting will reconvene in Room 102 following lunch.
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2:00 HJR 59 Study of Public Employee Retirement Systems

The staff will present and the Committee members will work through an issues decision tool to clarify members' priorities. The objective of this exercise is to establish in relatively clear terms categories of or specific questions about public employee retirement systems that SAVA members' consider deserving of additional investigation or explanation, including: retirement plan design; retirement plan practices in Montana and in other, selected states or jurisdictions; factors and assumptions that affect the soundness of retirement plans; and overall goals and objectives of the Committee regarding the desired outcome of and outputs from the study.

BREAK

TBD Public comment on any subject within the Committee's purview

TBD Other Committee business

- Item of interest: Police officers' lawsuit against MPERA regarding information on MPORS membership - **David Niss**, Staff Attorney
- Member issues
 - Section 2-18-501, MCA, reimbursement rates -- Sen. Jackson
 - Other?
- Instructions to staff
- Other

TBD Adjourn